

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously presented) A method of treating a mammal having a hepatic disease or disorder associated with a protein encoded by a gene, comprising the step of:

administering to said mammal an antisense oligonucleotide which hybridizes to said gene,

wherein said oligonucleotide has at least two sterol moieties covalently bonded thereto.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein at least one of said sterol moieties is a cholesteryl moiety.

15. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said oligonucleotide comprises two cholesteryl moieties.

16. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said sterol moieties are bound at the 2'-O, 3'-O or 5'-O positions of said oligonucleotide.

17-22. (Canceled)